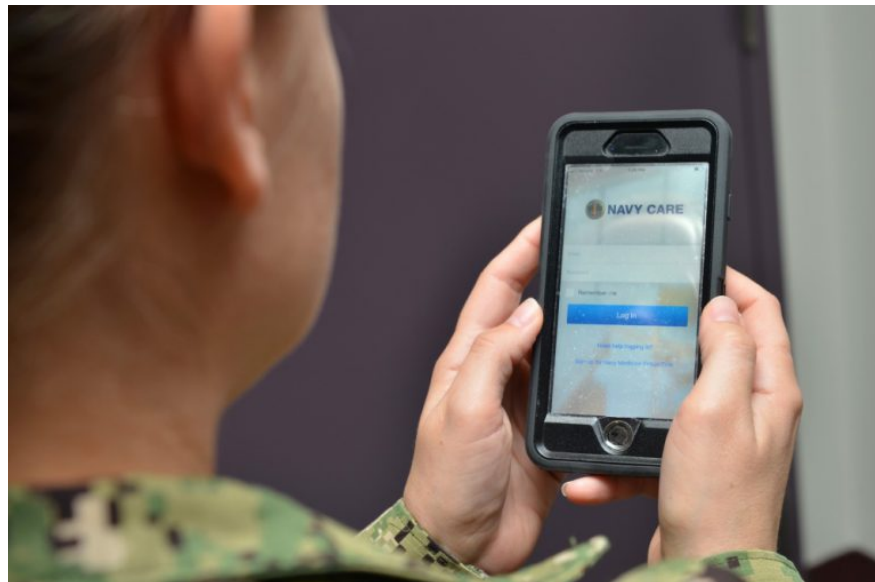


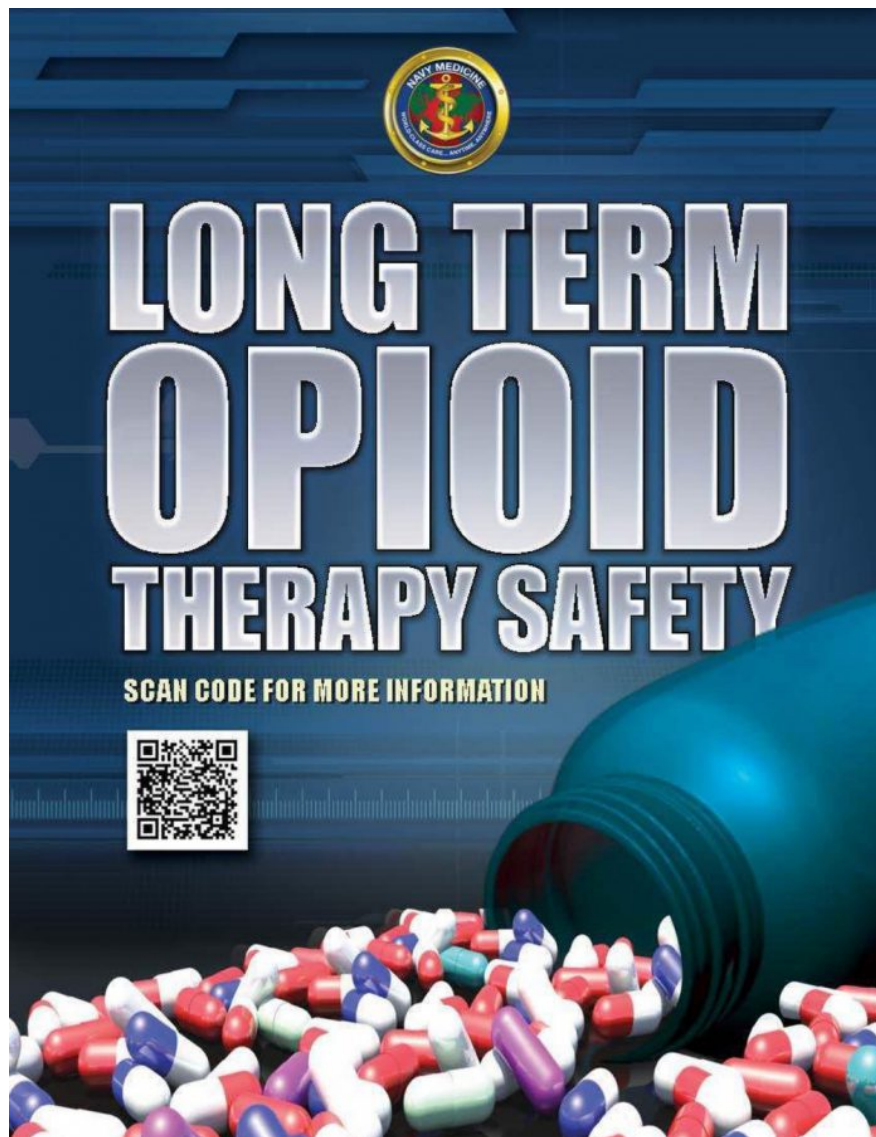
NAVY MEDICINE HIGHLIGHTS SO FAR IN 2018

Editors Note: Can you believe we're halfway through 2018? We can't either! Here's a look back at some of the highlights of this year as of July 1st, 2018. Be sure to come back to this post towards the end of the year for a year in review.



'Navy Care' Virtual Health App Launches at Naval Hospital Jacksonville

Navy Medicine is conducting its world-wide pilot of Navy Care at Naval Hospital Jacksonville. Navy Care enables patients to have a virtual visit with a clinician, by using a smartphone, tablet, or computer. It's private, secure, and free.



Navy Medicine Establishes Policy for Long-Term Opioid Therapy Safety

New and existing long-term opioid therapy patients with a projected course of therapy of 90-days or longer are now required to undergo a psychiatric and substance abuse history screening. The screening includes an assessment of active thoughts of suicide, and risk of opioid abuse. Patients must also establish an informed consent and opioid care agreement with their clinician. The consent provides information on the risks and benefits of therapy.



Second Class of Corpsmen Completes Trauma Training in Chicago

Fifteen hospital corpsmen completed the Navy Medicine's second iteration of trauma training June 1 in North Chicago.

The latest iteration of the hospital corpsman trauma training utilizes a partnership between Navy Medicine, the Capt. James A. Lovell Federal Health Care Center (Lovell FHCC), and John A. Stroger Jr. Hospital of Cook County (Cook County). The hands-on training comprises eight days of classroom training and six weeks of trauma training focused on Trauma Resuscitation, Trauma Intensive Care Unit, Burn Unit and the Emergency Department.